

**Amendment No. 1 to SB1129**

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Signature of Sponsor**

**AMEND Senate Bill No. 1129\***

**House Bill No. 2057**

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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and by substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-101(b) is amended by adding the following language as a new subdivision:

(3) A contract entered into between a tax preparation service company and a tax payer, providing for the tax preparation service company to pay the additional tax liability, penalties and/or interest imposed by a taxing authority on the tax payer as a result of an error of the tax preparation service, shall not be deemed to constitute a contract of insurance as long as the tax preparation service has secured on a form approved by the commissioner a surety bond from an insurance company licensed in Tennessee for a penal sum in an amount to be determined by the commissioner, which amount shall be not less than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), but not more than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000), with respect to the statewide operations of such tax preparation service and its franchisees engaged in the tax preparation business . In the alternative, the commissioner may accept a deposit of cash or securities in such amount. This bond or deposit shall be subject to suit thereon by the state and by any person who has a cause of action arising from a contract subject to this subdivision.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-101 is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

(c) The commissioner may promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary or appropriate to carry out this section in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5.

SECTION 3. This bill shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.